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Speaker to discuss 'The Birth of a Nation'

University Relations

Dr. Paul McEwan will present "The Birth of a Nation," Racism, and the Nature of Cinema: 100 Years of Controversy" at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 5, as the 2014-15 Academic Speakers Series continues at UTM. The presentation is free and open to the public and will be held in Campbell Auditorium, located in the Andy Holt Humanities Building.

McEwan is an associate professor of media and communication and director of film studies at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Penn. He specializes in the history of film and will discuss the landmark film "The Birth of a Nation" directed by D.W. Griffith that was released almost 100 years ago. The film is noted for its groundbreaking film techniques and also for its overt racism and positive portrayal of the Ku Klux Klan.

He is the author of a

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Zaxby's opens on Skyhawk Parkway

Danielle Webber

Staff Writer

Zaxby's new Martin location grand opening was scheduled for November 3rd.

The first 100 guests to visit the restaurant during its grand opening received a Fanatic Pack of 52 free "Dealz," good for a year's worth of free food.

Zaxby's is a fast-casual style fried chicken restaurant with a large presence in the Southeast. The opening of the Martin location will marks the 63rd restaurant in

Tennessee, and the fourth for licensees Chip Hulst and Chris Manwell. Hulst and Manwell are also planning openings for two other locations in Union City and Dyersburg.

The "fast-casual" format is a mix between fast food and casual sit-down dining. Customers place their orders at the front counter and pick up their prepared-to-order meals at the counter when they are ready.

Customers will be menu items such as chicken fingers, wings, sandwiches, and salads. Zaxby's offers four different types of salads,

also known as Zalads, such as The House, The Blue, The Caesar and recently added The Cobb. In addition, the location will contain a Coca-Cola Freestyle machine, which gives customers more drink options than a normal soda fountain.

The building is capable of seating up to 70 patrons, and is decorated with custom vintage prints and memorabilia of local high schools and colleges.

Zaxby's also offers a new line of premium milkshake flavors, including Birthday Cake, Banana Pudding and new addition Chocolate Cookie.

For those who have no time to sit down and eat, Zaxby's will have a drive-thru service to meet the needs of customers on the go.

Zaxby's, a supporter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation, was ranked by customers as the Most Craveable Fast Casual in America in Technomic's Consumer Brand Metrics program in both 2013 and 2014. In addition, Zaxby's was also listed among the organization's Best Franchise Deals in 2013 and the Top 30 Best Fast Food Restaurants.

For more information, visit zaxbys.com or follow Zaxby's on Facebook or Twitter.

State General Election – Nov. 4, 2014



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Constitutional Amendments

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3 - Income Tax Ban

4 - Lottery-Veterans

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Note: Martin residents also will vote on whether wine sales should be allowed in retail stores.

Check The Pacer's website, www.thepacer.net, & Facebook for election results.



Viewpoints

EDITORIAL

End-of-life options should be taken into consideration now

In recent weeks the media has been ablaze with the story of a young woman named Brittany Maynard.

Maynard, 29, was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor at the beginning of this year. In the spring when Maynard was given less than six months to live, she and her husband made the decision to relocate from their home state of California to Oregon, one of only five states that recognizes Death with Dignity. This is an end-of-life option for mentally competent, terminally ill patients with a prognosis of six months or less. Basically, Maynard could get a prescription from a physician to accelerate her dying process if it became unbearable. Sadly, the process did become unbearable, and Maynard ended her own life

through Death with Dignity on Saturday, Nov. 1.

Because of the nature and sensitivity of the subject, we at *The Pacer* have chosen not to take a stand on the issue of Death with Dignity. We have, however, chosen to speak out on the importance of young adults having a living will or other advanced directive.

Living wills or advanced directives are written, legal instructions regarding your preferences for medical care if you are unable to make decisions for yourself.

These documents advise doctors or caregivers if you're terminally ill, seriously injured, in a coma, in the late stages of dementia or near the end of life. These options are not just for older adults. End-of-life situations can happen at any age, so it is important that even young

adults have living wills. We have a staff member who experienced a possible end-of-life emergency at only 23 without having a living will in place. Fortunately, the proper decisions were made and she miraculously made a full recovery.

Living wills can help you be prepared if something were to happen. They can help ensure that you receive the care that you want, and can even lessen confusion or disagreements among loved ones during what would already be an emotional and stressful time.

We don't know if Brittany Maynard had a living will. Her life ended on Saturday and we won't debate the terms under which she chose to die.

We will simply end with a call to action, urging all who read this to consider getting a living will.



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Men get hairy for awareness of prostate cancer

Matthew Bodkins

Co-News Editor

As we enter November, many prepare themselves for Black Friday shopping, hunting seasons, Thanksgiving dinners and daylight saving time.

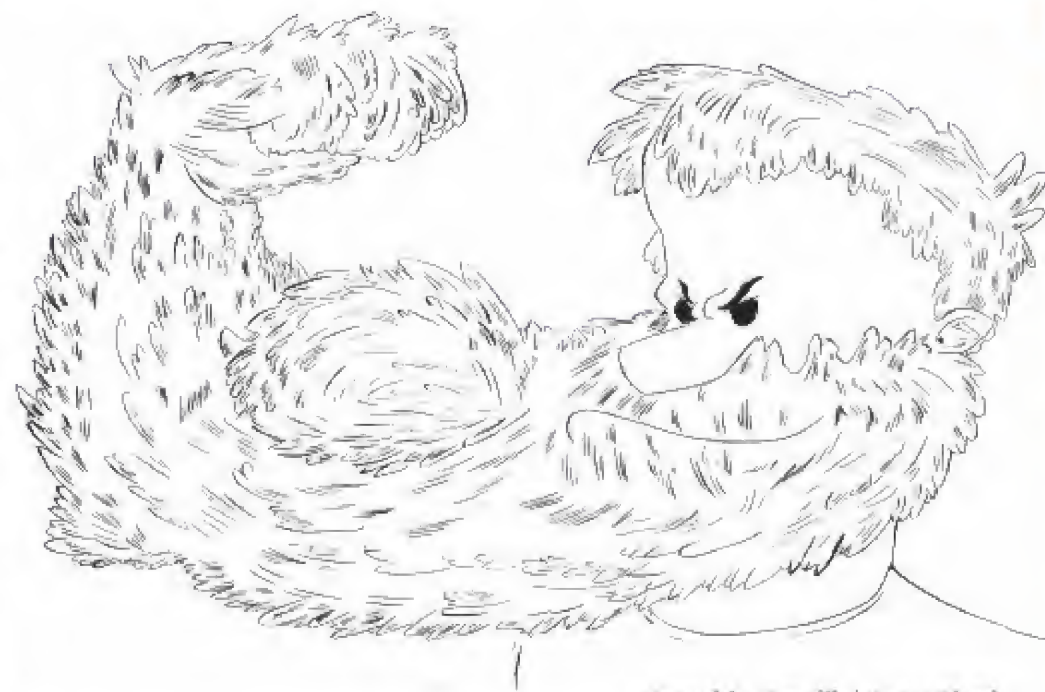
There is also a relatively new November tradition that mainly males participate in, known as "No-Shave November."

During "No-Shave November," men become acquainted with not shaving and letting their hair and beards grow freely like mountain men.

This effort begins on Nov. 1 and will go on until Dec. 1 in an effort to bring increasing awareness for prostate cancer.

Many men have already started to let their hair grow in full but women should not think that it's just for males, they can join in on the fun as well.

Beside every great man growing a mustache, there is an amazing woman that can let her hair grow as well. Women should know that they are a driving force for men's health awareness and provide much needed encouragement for the beard-growing campaign. Women should give men kind words of encouragement, a nod, wink, or a smile of recognition to help men this month in



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navigating their beards and mustaches.

Men and women both are encouraged to grow their hair, since many cancer patients lose their hair upon medical treatment. participate by growing a beard, maintaining a mustache, let those legs get mangily, or skip a wax appointment. People are to save the money that they would usually spend on shaving or

grooming, and donate it to cancer research and treatments.

For individuals that will not be joining these bearded rankings, you may raise awareness by wearing the designated color for prostate cancer awareness sky or baby blue. A sky blue silk ribbon was adopted to help with raising awareness, show support, and give inspiration and strength for victims of prostate cancer, and the families of the victims.

The American Cancer Society and No-shave.org, have teamed together so that "No-shave November" is better recognized. ACS is investing all donations into groundbreaking cancer research, and providing information and services to patients. To find more about prostate health and how you can participate in the "No-shave November" movement visit www.no-shave.org.

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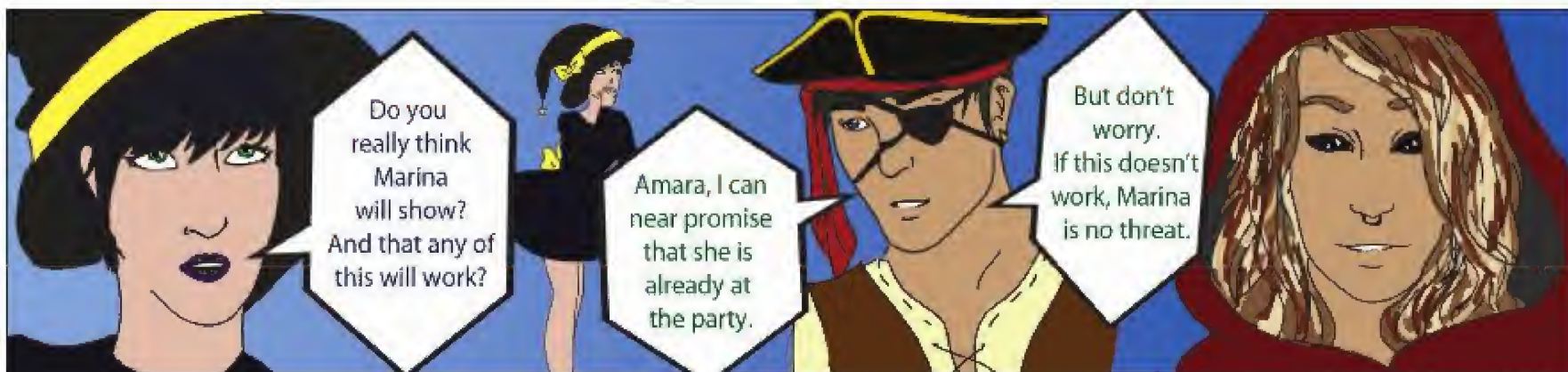


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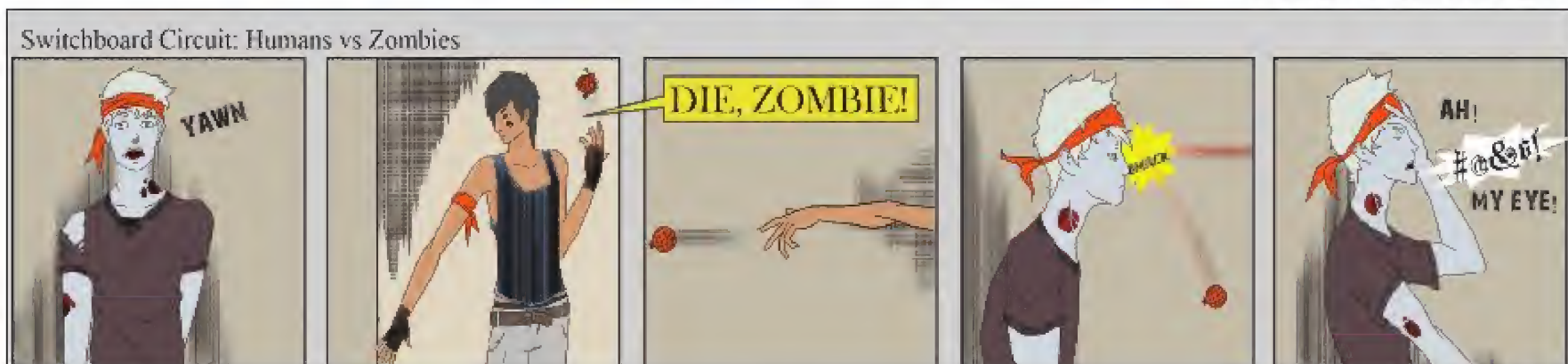
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TN Promise to send students to college for free

Danielle Webber
Guest Writer

Senior students graduating with the Class of 2015 can now apply for the Tennessee Promise scholarship, which will provide two years of tuition-free education at any technical school or community college in Tennessee.

The Tennessee Promise scholarship is a great opportunity for the Class of 2015, and one that should be taken advantage of by every graduating senior. The scholarship offers these seniors two years of free tuition, as well as providing a mentoring program required to help each student through their first two years. The students will be

partnering with one of three organizations that will provide mentors for the program: TN Achieves, The Ayers Foundation and REDI. Working with these organizations could potentially lead to future connections and even bigger opportunities for those who complete the program.

The scholarship also requires eight hours of community service per semester. This is a great way to get involved in the community surrounding the community college or technical school providing the scholarship. Some students may not like the idea of doing community service hours, but if they take this project seriously, they can meet important people for their future and make connections and good impressions that may open a door in their future.

Seniors graduating in 2015 should take this opportunity and better themselves as well as Tennessee. In addition, underclassmen who are currently enrolled in college should consider looking further into the Tennessee Promise.

It is not too late to meet the deadline to serve as a mentor for the Tennessee Promise. Mentors are a crucial component of the program. These are the people who will help shape and lead the incoming college freshman to success. The deadline to apply is November 1, and mandatory mentor training must be completed by December 1. Any one who is over the age of 21 can apply. Mentors must attend mandatory meetings in January and March, as well as contact students at least once every two weeks from

the following January through December.

The Tennessee Promise is a great way to get involved for those of us who are or have been through a college system to help guide the future of Tennessee and of our country. It is also a great opportunity for the Class of 2015 to show that we want to better not only our state or country, but also ourselves in pursuit of a higher education.

For more information on how students can apply, information for parents, or how to become a mentor, go to tennesseepromise.gov.

I strongly encourage anyone and everyone to look into doing what they can to help this program and the future of our country succeed.

Some life lessons learned while studying abroad

Mark Maloney
Guest Writer

Pretty much anyone I talked to before I left to study in London this semester told me that it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, that being truly immersed in another culture cannot happen after "real life" sets in. More importantly, they offered the insight that it would be an invaluable asset to set myself apart from others in post-graduate endeavors. Now, halfway through and reflecting upon it, I have concluded that time spent abroad is more valuable for personal growth and reflection than any other aspect of life.

Perhaps the clearest example I can offer as to how this experience has changed me comes in the smallest form of my weekly trips to the grocery store. While "back home" it takes no thought at all to hop in my car and head to the nearest store; in the worst case, should I forget something, it will take no time to go back. Now, making about a mile walk to and from the store, the importance of planning ahead and purchasing necessities only has given quite the impression of the ease and excess we enjoy. Efficiency was always a goal but not a necessity that I ever took into account; however, it has since become a requirement to keeping life as easy as possible. In line with that new outlook, too, is the space we take up in our lives. When I first entered my room here, roughly one-third the size

of a regular hotel room, I thought it would be impossible for me to comfortably live in it for over a week, let alone three months. However, now that I have settled in and made use of the space, I realize how very little we really need and how comparably luxuriously most of us truly live.

While much of what I have learned has come from positive changes, there have been those that have come with quite a sting, as well. Perhaps the clearest of these has been the value of true friends and sharing life's moments with them. When we are constantly surrounded by our loved ones, we take for granted how much their lives impact our own. Since I left, I have missed everything from homecoming events with my fraternity brothers to my brother-in-law learning that he passed the bar exam to my fiancée's acceptance to pharmacy school. All of these, without the renewed perception of their value may have passed by as a mere blip on the course of life, but from the outside, without the chance to share in the excitement, their value has been magnified to an exponential degree. I have compared it to being in a type of stasis, seeing the lives of others, whom you interacted with daily, moving on without you is one of the most surreal experiences I could ever imagine.

Stretching this further to just our daily social interactions with our fellow man, it dawned on me how little we take advantage of all our opportunities. My first day riding the tube, it baffled me how so many people

could be so close to one another yet not share even a word. When I got to my flat and reflected upon it, I came to the conclusion that it must be a European thing; surely in a similar situation our American hospitality would take over. The more I thought, though, the less sure I became. After all, even when we share common ground such as being in the same class, how frequently do we take the initiative to reach out to those we do not know? It has grown to be a challenge that I have given myself that I hope some readers will take up as well — grow comfortable in your ability to start conversations with complete strangers.

Lastly, but most importantly, I have learned the value of experiencing other cultures. While we in America have the fortune of sharing a "melting pot" of cultures, we are so massively spread out that we have the option to ignore all but our own. As condensed as the multitude of lifestyles prove to be in the United Kingdom, due largely to the inopportunities of space, this is shown to be an impossibility. In two of the three classes I am taking that are not reserved solely for Americans, we have students from six continents, with only Antarctica lacking representation. The shift from a national to global perspective is what has given me this opportunity to reflect on the lives that we all take for granted.

One difference that has made the largest impression on me is the importance of education. Seeing the sacrifices that those

of other cultures are willing to take, in addition to the effort they put forth, for their education is absolutely marvelous. Following the discussion period of my very first class, I was held up for forty-five minutes to explain to a group of five or six students how the American government worked. It had nothing to do with any upcoming assignment or course discussion; they were merely curious and willing to take the time to talk and learn from each other to better understand the world in which we live. By comparison, the manner with which Americans typically take our education for granted, seeing it more as a chore than a means of fulfillment, left me with a feeling of guilt that I could never fully explain to those who have yet to experience it.

None of this is to say that I do not miss being home, quite the opposite actually. I cannot wait to bring this renewed outlook back with me. More importantly, I hope that this serves as an opportunity for you, the reader, to do some reflection as well. Experiencing another part of the world has been a gift that I hope to share with as many people as possible. The best way I know to do this is to say that anyone with the opportunity should take it up. Even if you have to wait until that dreaded "real life" milestone, do not pass up the chances to experience the world of which you are a part. Even if these opportunities take some time to appear, take my lessons and realize how very much we often take for granted.

News

Pope Francis on evolution: no surprises for Catholics

Emily Barber

Staff Writer

A recent statement by Pope Francis I has generated controversy and debate over whether the idea of evolution has a place in religion.

Last Monday, speaking at the Pontifical Academy of Sciences, Pope Francis made a seemingly controversial statement that sparked lots of media buzz: he said that God is not a magician, but he is the Creator of life. In addition, the pope said that evolution and creationism do not contradict each other, because "evolution requires the creation of beings that evolve."

Several media members have seen this statement as surprising, as it seemingly confirmed that the Catholic Church supports the controversial theory of evolution.

For UTM senior and lifelong Catholic Laura Miller, however, the pope's statements were not surprising in the least.

"The Catholic position [is such that] it's not mutually exclusive to believe in both [science and religion]," said Miller.

Miller added that at an early age, she was taught that believing in the theory of evolution and the Big



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Bang Theory did not conflict with being a Catholic.

Colin Johnson, a fellow UTM senior and lifelong Catholic, added that although he welcomed the official statement, the sentiments expressed were things that he has been taught his whole life.

"So many people think the church is in opposition to anything scientific, or up to date with the times," he said. "That's not true. ...All Pope Francis has ever done this whole entire time is just reaffirm the teachings of the Church."

Both Miller and Johnson agreed

that the media's coverage of Pope Francis's recent statements has been flawed.

"The media is acting like what Pope Francis has been saying is so radically different, when it's not," said Miller.

Father Dennis Schenkel, current

priest at St. Jude Catholic Church and director of the UTM's Catholic Student Organization, also agreed that the media had taken liberties in their coverage of the Pope's recent statements.

"My honest reaction [to the media coverage of Pope Francis's recent statements] was 'How is this a news story?' and 'Why do the people in the media not know this already?'" Schenkel said. "Popes have been saying this for a while. Evolution is not inconsistent with Christianity."

Father Schenkel addressed the discrepancy between the theory of evolution and the Biblical account of the world being created in six days.

"We believe the Bible to be infallibly inspired by God," he said. "The intention of the people who wrote the Bible was to describe to the people how to have a good relationship with God," Schenkel also said that the main focus of Catholicism is not the word-for-word account the Bible gives but the deeper meanings that lie under the surface level of these stories. In addition, members of the Catholic faith re-evaluate their interpretation of scripture if it contradicts nature.

Study shows increase in unprotected sexual activity during college years

Amber Sherman

Staff Writer

Students entering college often have many different things occupying their minds, ranging from classes to making friends.

According to a study by Mark Bearak at New York University, however, students might want to consider educating themselves about the potential dangers of unprotected sex.

Bearak's study found that nine percent of female college students surveyed reported engaging in unprotected sex during their freshman year. This figure rises by seven percentage points to 16 percent who reported having done so by their senior year, marking nearly a twofold increase over

four years. Similarly, male students reported a six percent unprotected encounter rate in their freshman year, compared with 15 percent in their senior year.

This large increase might be attributed to the casual culture of college. Bearak said that college students cannot easily be subdivided into distinct groups that do or do not practice casual sex. "Among freshmen, more students have hooked up than have gone out on dates," Bearak said.

Despite the common presence of such a mindset, having sex without using some form of protection leaves both involved parties in danger of contracting sexually transmitted diseases. According to the

CDC, Chlamydia is the most frequently reported STD in the United States. It is often referred to as a "silent" disease, as symptoms are usually mild or absent, meaning that complications can "silently" cause irreversible damage, such as infertility, before the patient recognizes a problem.

Tennessee was ranked 11th in the United States in 2010 in reported cases of STD's. UTM's Student Health and Counseling began placing condoms and additional information on safe sex in their facility in 2012 to decrease the number of cases at the school. In addition, suggested solutions include allowing PEP leaders to teach safe sex education in General Studies classes.

Speaker from Cover

forthcoming volume on "The Birth of a Nation" in the BFI Classics series, as well as articles and essays on the film that have appeared in "Film History and Cinema Journal." He also wrote an article on the legacy of Griffith's "Intolerance" for the forthcoming "Companion to D.W. Griffith" and other books and essays on Canadian cinema and film pedagogy.

The Academic Speakers Series annually brings top speakers to UTM to meet with the university's Honors Programs students and to offer presentations that are open to the public. Honors Programs and other university organizations sponsor the series.



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Arts & Entertainment

Walking Dead Season 5 quarter recap

Chance Farmer

Viewpoints Assistant Editor

AMC's *The Walking Dead* has come back with a vengeance and each week's episode keeps getting better and better. Warning: this contains a few spoilers, so if you aren't completely caught up, you might not want to read ahead.

At the end of the fourth season, we last saw Rick (Andrew Lincoln) and the group, they had been taken hostage by a mysterious group in Terminus.

This season started off with a bang, as the whole first episode is a slaughterhouse. It turns out that Rick and the gang are being held hostage by a group of cannibals. Thanks to Carol, the group makes a clean escape and burns Terminus to the ground. As the group reunites and seeks new shelter, they see a new face in Father Gabriel, a reverend who takes care of his church building all alone. Rick and the group seek shelter at Father Gabriel's church building when Bob is taken hostage by none other than Gareth, the leader of the cannibal group from Terminus. When Gareth's group of cannibals start to eat Bob one limb at a time, Bob reveals that he's been bitten by a walker, so they release him to go back to Rick and the group. Rick decides to take up arms against Gareth and the cannibals by setting a trap for them and getting rid of them once and for all.

In last Sunday's episode,



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audiences finally get to see where Beth (Emily Kinney) went when she was kidnapped last season. It turns out that Beth was taken to a hospital by a group of people who saw that she was in trouble when a group of walkers had surrounded her. When Beth wakes up, she must

find a way to get out of this hospital, but she faces many obstacles, including the people that brought her there.

In this episode, Beth really grows as a character. She is no longer that little girl the audience saw at Hershel's farm, but she's also not the same as

when she and Daryl escaped from the prison last season. Beth really comes into her own in the episode, as she is forced to make tough decisions and is put into dangerous situations but handles all of these situations very calmly. You can really tell that she has learned a lot from

Daryl, but also still abiding by what Hershel taught her while growing up as a child.

This episode offers a lot of character development for Beth, showing that she's more than what we first expected her to be, and is another great episode of *The Walking Dead* overall.

Gyllenhaal is frighteningly good in 'Nightcrawler'

Chance Farmer

Viewpoints Assistant Editor

Journalism is a crazy job, but Jake Gyllenhaal's newest film, "Nightcrawler," shows exactly what not to do when you're a journalist.

Gyllenhaal plays Louis Bloom, a man, desperate for work, who finds an interest in crime journalism on the streets of Los Angeles.

As Bloom begins work as an amateur freelance cameraman, he quickly discovers that it pays to be the first pair of eyes on the scene of a crime. As time progresses, Bloom begins to film increasingly more violent incidents and will stop at nothing to get the best shot, even if it means tampering with the scene. Bloom makes it very clear that he will do whatever is necessary in order to get what he wants.

The action starts out slow, but once it starts, it doesn't stop. Bloom becomes a very unlikeable character rather quickly. With each story Bloom covers, he becomes increasingly bold in how close

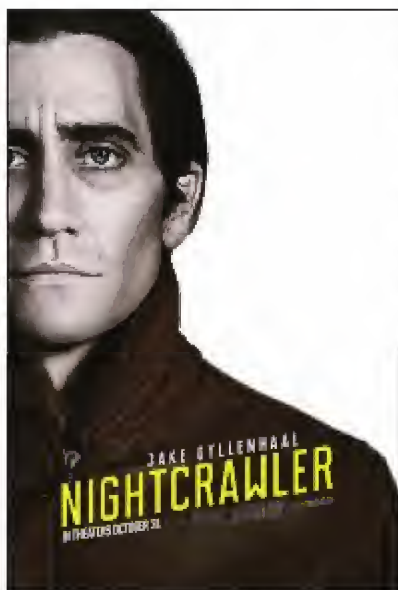


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Nightcrawlerfilm.com

he gets to the scene, breaking the law several times just to get the best shot for the story. He also becomes a very shrewd businessman, even blackmailing the station news editor that he sells his stories to. Audiences will find certain points in the film to be very hard to watch because of Bloom's psychotic behavior.

Gyllenhaal gives a chilling performance as Louis Bloom. Throughout the film, Gyllenhaal will make audiences believe that Bloom is a psychotic lunatic who will stop at nothing to get what he wants, even if it means breaking the law and putting others in harm's way. Audiences will find themselves conflicted as to whether they hate this character or whether they should root for him.

Although the film portrays the very thing journalists aspire not to be, "Nightcrawler" is a suspense-filled rollercoaster that will keep audiences on the edge of their seats and is definitely worth seeing.

Nothing Compares to the National Guard

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Sports

Skyhawks rout Racers in 62-38 shootout

Jared Peckenpaugh
Sports Editor

The Skyhawks increased their winning streak to four this weekend after defeating OVC-rival Murray State 62-38.

The Skyhawks (5-5, 4-3 OVC) came into the game with momentum after their big win over Austin Peay last weekend. The Skyhawks

"In today's game, we knew we had to score," said UTM head coach Jason Simpson. "The two scores by our defense were huge. Offensively, it was a great job by our offensive line and our running backs getting downhill. I thought we took control of the game up front."

After a quick three-and-out by Murray State to start the game, the Skyhawks got on the board after two plays and a 5-yard rushing touchdown by quarterback Jarod Neal. On the next drive for Murray State, KD Humphries, the Racer's star quarterback who has only thrown five interceptions this year, threw a 32-yard pick-six to UTM linebacker Nick Dance.

Trailing 14-0, the Racers finally put together a drive to get down the field, but the Skyhawk defense held the Racers to only a field goal. The next drive for the Skyhawks saw them run the ball eight times out of the nine play drive and was capped of with a 4-yard rushing touchdown by Abou Toure. Murray State answered back with a touchdown of their own, a 5-yard pass from Humphries to Garian Bradley, and trailed 28-10 at the end of the first quarter.

Neal opened the first play of the second quarter with a 12-yard touchdown pass from Neal to Najee Ray. A couple of drives later, Neal completed

OVC Football Standings		
School	OVC	Overall
Jacksonville State	5-0	7-1
Eastern Kentucky	5-1	8-1
Eastern Illinois	4-1	4-5
UT Martin	4-3	5-5
Southeast Missouri	2-3	4-5
Tennessee Tech	2-4	3-6
Murray State	1-4	3-6
Austin Peay	1-4	1-8
Tennessee State	1-5	4-6

another touchdown pass, this one a 10-yard strike to William Tanner. Murray State answered back on the next drive with a 21-yard touchdown pass from Humphries to Janawski Davis. The Skyhawks tried to extend their lead before halftime, but couldn't and took a 35-17 lead into the locker room.

The Skyhawks opened their first drive of the second half with a 33-yard field goal from Jackson Redditt. Murray State responded, scoring a 35-yard touchdown pass from Humphries to Jeremy Harness. Murray State answered quickly by getting down the field and scoring a 20-yard touchdown pass from Humphries to Nevar Griffin before the end of the fourth quarter.

With Murray State beginning to gain momentum and only trailing 45-31, they needed to stop UTM to get back into the ballgame. However, a 4-yard touchdown run by Abou Toure and a 16-yard pick-six by UTM's Walter Evans put

the game out of reach for the Racers. Now trailing 59-31, Murray State scored another touchdown to close the gap, a 28-yard touchdown pass from Humphries to Griffin. A 52-yard field goal by Redditt sealed the victory for the Skyhawks, 62-38.

Despite not playing a lot of the Austin Peay game, Neal started and played the entire game, completing 13 of his 20 passes for 193 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. Neal also ran for a touchdown early in the game, making it his third game this season he has had a passing and rushing touchdown in a game.

Humphries had a great day passing the ball for Murray State, completing 38 of his 60 passes for 425 yards and five touchdowns. However, the inability to finish drives and the

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UPCOMING ATHLETIC EVENTS

Volleyball

7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 – Murray State
2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 – Austin Peay
6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11 – at Southeast Missouri
5:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15 – at Tennessee Tech

Football

3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 – at Mississippi State

Men's Basketball

7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 – Blue Mountain
8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14 – at Marquette
7:05 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17 – at Arkansas State

Women's Basketball

6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14 – Southern Illinois
1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16 – at Louisville

Women's Soccer OVC Tournament

Thursday, Nov. 6, 7, 9

Women's Tennis

Arkansas State Invitational
Friday, Nov. 7 – Sunday, Nov. 9

Rifle

Saturday, Nov. 8 – Columbus State

Rodeo

Southern Arkansas
Thursday, Nov. 6 – Saturday, Nov. 8

Equestrian

Nov. 14, 15 – South Dakota State (at Delaware State)

Intramurals

Ping-Pong

Registration Deadline – 5 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 12
Captain's Meeting – 5 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 12
Cost per entry: \$5
Divisions: Open
Play Begins Wednesday, Nov. 12

For more information, a list of rules and a schedule of all the intramural sports, visit www.utm.edu.

The Pacer Athlete of the Week



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Abou Toure - #24

Senior
Position: Running Back
Hometown: Framingham, Massachusetts
Major: Business

- Ran for 114 yards and two touchdowns against Austin Peay
- Ran for career high 235 yards and 3 touchdowns against Murray State
- Named Adidas OVC Athlete of the Week

Sports

Soccer to defend OVC title this weekend

Jared Peckenpaugh

Sports Editor

The UTM women's soccer team is preparing to defend their Ohio Valley Conference title this weekend when they travel to Cape Girardeau, Missouri for the OVC soccer tournament.

The Skyhawks finished the season 12-6-1 and 6-3-1 in the OVC. The Skyhawks stayed at the top of the conference for most of the season, but finished the season fourth in the OVC behind co-champions Southeast Missouri, SIUE and third place Murray State.

"It's going to be difficult," said head coach Phil McNamara. "It's always difficult for the lower seeds and we're now a lower seed, which is the first time we've been that for three years now. We've done it before, which is good."

The Skyhawks started their 2014 season 4-0, their best start in program history. After three straight 1-0 road losses,



the Skyhawks finished their non-conference schedule with two straight wins and would go on to a 6-3 record in non-conference play. The Skyhawks

went 6-3-1 in OVC play, with losses to Jacksonville State, SIUE, Murray State and a tie against Morehead State.

The Skyhawks have revolved

around their high scoring offense and their leading scorer Rianna Jarrett. Jarrett has notched 17 goals this season, breaking the school record of

16 set by Dani Myrick in 2002. Jarrett currently leads the OVC in goals, shots (110) and points (38). Jarrett also has two hat tricks this season.

"She's a top class player, no doubt about it," said McNamara. "I think she's put herself in a strong position to be a frontrunner for player of the year in the conference."

Defense has also been key for the Skyhawks this season. The Skyhawks have not allowed more than two goals this season and have pitched six shutouts.

Goalkeeper Mariah Klenke has been huge for the Skyhawks this season, recording 105 saves and averaging 5.53 per game. She has also give up only 18 goals through a span of 19 games.

The Skyhawks will play their first round game against the fifth seeded Jacksonville State Gamecocks. The match will begin at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 and will be held at Houck Stadium in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

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"Those kids that we signed see the vision for this program," said Schroyer. "They want to be the pioneers that jumped on board and actually turn this program around. Those are the guys that are special and that you always remember."

Another change that Schroyer is making is on the defensive side of the ball. Last season, the Skyhawks finished last in the OVC in average points allowed on defense (81.5) and defensive field goal percentage (.521).

"I think you have to have

a system, a philosophy that's consistent from game to game, and that's first and foremost," said Schroyer. "We mad that a huge emphasis in the fall, a huge emphasis in the first month of practice. I think you have to have a system that is conducive to both sides of the ball."

The Skyhawks will begin their 2014-15 season this Thursday, Nov. 8 with an exhibition game against Blue Mountain. The Skyhawks will play a majority of their non-conference games on the road

at places like Marquette, Butler and Nebraska. Conference play for the Skyhawks will begin Jan. 8 and will lead up to the OVC tournament on Mar. 4-7. Schroyer believes that despite being picked to finish sixth in the OVC West, his team will rise and work to get back to the OVC tournament.

"We have very high goals and high expectations for this team and every team that I will be apart of here."

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newcomers and some of the returners as well," said McMillan.

Shai Warfield-Cross also returns, starting 10 of the last 12 games for UTM and played in 28 games last season.

"She's the third of the crew that we're going to be looking to fill that hole," said McMillan. "I think that is probably the biggest thing for her is where we're going to fit her in and where she can help our team be the best it can be. It could be running the whole team and she has that ability."

With a twelve-man roster this season, McMillan stressed the importance of making sure everyone from the returners to the newcomers can come

together this season.

"There's only twelve kids on this team in all, so everybody's going to have to contribute," said McMillan.

The Skyhawks will begin their quest for their fifth straight OVC title Friday Nov. 14 when they host Southern Illinois. UTM will also host Cincinnati and Chattanooga and will travel to schools like Alabama, Missouri, Arizona and Louisville. The Skyhawks will also take part in the Iowa Hawkeye Challenge, a four team tournament consisting of Dayton, Iowa, and Pepperdine. The Skyhawks will begin conference play Jan. 3 and will lead up to the OVC Tournament, taking place Mar. 4-7.

Football

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two interceptions cost the Racers.

The Skyhawks running game was the difference in the game, collecting 402 rushing yards. Abou Toure had a career day, running for 235 yards and 3 touchdowns.

"I'm proud of Abou - he is chasing 1,000 yards on the year," said Simpson. "He has the size and work ethic to succeed."

Good things are happening for him."

The Skyhawks will be face with a tough task next week when they take on the #1 Mississippi State Bulldogs. Kickoff between the Skyhawks and the Bulldogs is scheduled for 3 p.m. from Wade Davis Stadium. The game will be televised on the SEC Network.



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Sports

Skyhawk Basketball Preview



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Skyhawks to make another title run without familiar players

Jared Peckenpaugh
Sports Editor

For Skyhawk head coach Kevin McMillan, it's a lot more than picking up the pieces from last year and turning it into another Ohio Valley Conference championship team.

In fact, when you're missing the two biggest pieces that helped you win four straight OVC titles, hopes for a fifth look very slim. The Skyhawks women's basketball team is faced with that this year, but if you ask McMillan, he's already looking toward the future.

"Replacing that leadership and replacing the day-to-day work ethic is probably going to be the biggest challenge that we have right now," said McMillan. "Now we're just trying to figure out which pieces of the puzzle we've got and where they all fit."

McMillan's squad is coming off of one of the best seasons in UTM women's basketball history. Going 24-8 and 15-1 in the OVC helped them notch an OVC regular season and tournament championship. The Skyhawks were one of the top scoring teams in the country, averaging 83.8 points per game. They also lead the OVC in assists (16 per game), steals (10.3 per game) and 3-point baskets (9.1 per game).

Those numbers will be hard to match this season without the duo of Heather Butler and Jasmine Newsome, but the Skyhawks will have some key players returning from last year's team to help combat the loss.

Sophomore Ashia Jones comes into this season as the returning OVC Freshman of the Year. Jones averaged 13.1 points per game as well as 6.3 rebounds per game. Jones also led the OVC in field goal percentage (.585) and was fourth in blocks per game (1.0). Jones was named to the OVC's preseason All-Conference team during OVC media day.

"I think she would be the one you build around, and so far in practice she's kind of made that statement," said McMillan. "Hopefully she's going to keep continuing to grow and mature and get better as a player, and then kind of take on some of that leadership that has been left from that senior class."

Katie Schubert is another starter UTM

is returning this season. The 5-foot-11 junior was a good long range shooter for the Skyhawks, averaging 2.0 3-pointers per game and was second in the OVC behind Butler in 3-point percentage (.448).

"3-point shooting from her should be a key for us as well as some of the

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Schroyer prepared to lead his Skyhawks 'the Martin Way'

Jared Peckenpaugh
Sports Editor

Since the end of the 2013-14 season, one word can describe the Skyhawks men's basketball team's offseason, change.

The biggest piece of change for the Skyhawks this season is the bringing in of a new head coach, former UNLV assistant Heath Schroyer.

Schroyer is taking over a program that

went 8-23 and 3-13 in the Ohio Valley Conference. Since his introduction, Schroyer is making sure that change is on the way.

"I think the most important thing that we've done is change the culture and teaching these guys what it means to win, both on the floor and off the floor," said Schroyer.

One way Schroyer is changing this program is by initiating a new slogan called "the Martin Way."

"It's basically the way in which we govern ourselves," said Schroyer. "There's five principles that we believe in and those five principles help govern what it is that we do every single day."

"The first thing we talk about in 'the Martin Way' is loyalty, the second thing we talk about is passion, the third thing is unselfishness, the fourth thing is discipline, and the fifth thing is a champion's work ethic."

Schroyer will have some help this season in the return of Miles Taylor and Marshun Newell.

Taylor, a 6-foot-7 senior is returning this year after a season in which he averaged 14.6 points per game, 6.3 rebounds per game, a .509 field goal percentage and averaging 1.0 blocks per game. Taylor was also named to the 10-man Preseason All-Ohio Valley Conference team.

"I think Miles has had a good career, the one thing that Miles hasn't done in my opinion is to reach his potential," said Schroyer. He's lost almost 40 pounds, he's in the best shape of his life, we look for Miles to have an unbelievable year."

Newell is returning after averaging 10.5 points, 3.5 assists and 1.4 steals per game last season.

"We're expecting Marshun to mature and to help lead this basketball team," said Schroyer. "I think Marshun has gotten a lot better, he's really really smart, he has as high of an IQ that we have on the team. I look for Marshun to have a great year."

The Skyhawks are retuning six players from last year's squad and are bringing in 11 new faces this season.

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2014-15 Skyhawks Basketball Schedule

Women's Basketball

Nov. 14	Southern Illinois
Nov. 16	at Louisville
Nov. 19	Cincinnati
Nov. 21	vs Dayton*
Nov. 22	vs Iowa/Pepperdine*
Nov. 26	at Samford
Nov. 29	Evansville
Dec. 4	at Alabama
Dec. 7	at Illinois State
Dec. 13	Chattanooga
Dec. 15	at Miami (Ohio)
Dec. 22	at Missouri
Dec. 29	at Arizona
Jan. 3	at Belmont
Jan. 8	Eastern Kentucky
Jan. 10	Morehead State
Jan. 15	at Tennessee Tech
Jan. 17	Jacksonville State
Jan. 21	Eastern Illinois
Jan. 24	Southeast Missouri
Jan. 28	at Tennessee State
Jan. 31	at Murray State
Feb. 4	at Austin Peay
Feb. 7	SIU Edwardsville
Feb. 11	at Southeast Missouri
Feb. 14	Austin Peay
Feb. 21	at SIU Edwardsville
Feb. 25	at Eastern Illinois
Feb. 28	Murray State
Mar. 4-7	OVC Tournament ^A

Men's Basketball

Nov. 6	Blue Mountain
Nov. 14	at Marquette
Nov. 17	at Arkansas State
Nov. 20	Champion Baptist
Nov. 25	at Bethune-Cookman
Nov. 28	at Nebraska
Dec. 3	at Northern Kentucky
Dec. 6	at Longwood
Dec. 15	at Illinois-Chicago
Dec. 17	at Illinois State
Dec. 20	Presbyterian
Dec. 22	at Butler
Dec. 30	Maryland-Eastern Shore
Jan. 1	Crowley's Ridge
Jan. 8	Eastern Kentucky
Jan. 10	Morehead State
Jan. 15	at Tennessee Tech
Jan. 17	Jacksonville State
Jan. 22	at Belmont
Jan. 24	Southeast Missouri
Jan. 29	Eastern Illinois
Jan. 31	at Murray State
Feb. 5	at Austin Peay
Feb. 7	SIU Edwardsville
Feb. 12	at Southeast Missouri
Feb. 14	Austin Peay
Feb. 19	at Eastern Illinois
Feb. 21	at SIU Edwardsville
Feb. 26	at Tennessee State
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Mar. 4-7	OVC Tournament ^A

Home game = White Away game = Blue

* Iowa Hawkeye Challenge (Iowa City, Iowa)

^AOVC Tournament (Nashville, Tennessee)